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Subject

: "RATs" Course Evaluation

- 1. I have completed the evaluation form which is attached. I would like also to provide some, hopefully not too disorganized, general reactions and some recommendations for the future. I'll focus on the general first and then get down to some specifics.
- 2. Course Management. This was one of the best organized and managed courses I have taken from OTE. This was no small feat given that it was a first running and required substantial efforts on your part to coordinate visits, schedules, etc. Despite our grumbling at times over quick lunches and early rising times, you are to be commended for putting it all together. My one major suggestion for the future would be to make sure that the companies visited and the guest speakers are well aware that they will not be addressing a technical audience. It was clear from some speakers' remarks that they were not sure of the background and composition of the group. Having this information beforehand might have spared us some of the heavily scientific/technical orientation of some of the briefings.
- 3. Course Content. In general a very good mix. The major problem is in the area of identifying just what are "rapidly advancing" technologies and focusing on these (see specific comments below). Another suggestion is to try to have speakers/briefers focus on the application of RATs to weapon systems: eg the NRL presentations which were far too heavily scientific. I think the only area in which the course failed to deliver was in the jet engine area (Williams) and out in Salt Lake City (more later). The highlights clearly were the visits and discussions on microelectronics/semiconductors, bio-engineering, and ceramics/composites.

	4. Specif	<u>ics-Speakers.</u>	There wer	e highl <u>ights</u>	and	lowlights.	<u>I</u>	thought
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